



# Evaluation Form

## Connect with Storytelling

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator \_\_\_\_\_ Speech Length 5–7 minutes

Speech Title \_\_\_\_\_

### Purpose Statement

The purpose of this project is for the member to practice using a story within a speech or giving a speech that is a story.

### Notes for the Evaluator

The member completing this project is focusing on using stories in a speech or creating a speech that is a story. The member may use any type of story: personal, well-known fiction, or one of their own creation.

Listen for a well-organized speech that is a story or includes a story.

### General Comments

You excelled at:

You may want to work on:

To challenge yourself:

For the evaluator: In addition to your verbal evaluation, please complete this form.

**Clarity:** Spoken language is clear and is easily understood

5 – Exemplary      4 – Excels      3 – Accomplished      2 – Emerging      1 – Developing

Comments:

**Vocal Variety:** Uses tone, speed, and volume as tools

5 – Exemplary      4 – Excels      3 – Accomplished      2 – Emerging      1 – Developing

Comments:

**Eye Contact:** Effectively uses eye contact to engage audience

5 – Exemplary      4 – Excels      3 – Accomplished      2 – Emerging      1 – Developing

Comments:

**Gestures:** Uses physical gestures effectively

5 – Exemplary      4 – Excels      3 – Accomplished      2 – Emerging      1 – Developing

Comments:

**Audience Awareness:** Demonstrates awareness of audience engagement and needs

5 – Exemplary      4 – Excels      3 – Accomplished      2 – Emerging      1 – Developing

Comments:

**Comfort Level:** Appears comfortable with the audience

5 – Exemplary      4 – Excels      3 – Accomplished      2 – Emerging      1 – Developing

Comments:

**Interest:** Engages audience with interesting, well-constructed content

5 – Exemplary      4 – Excels      3 – Accomplished      2 – Emerging      1 – Developing

Comments:

**Impact:** Story has the intended impact on the audience

5 – Exemplary      4 – Excels      3 – Accomplished      2 – Emerging      1 – Developing

Comments:

**Pace:** Pacing enhances the delivery of both the story and the rest of the speech (evaluate only if speaker includes a story as part of a larger speech.)

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Comments:

## Evaluation Criteria

This criteria lists the specific goals and expectations for the speech. Please review each level to help you complete the evaluation.

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### Clarity

- 5 – Is an exemplary public speaker who is always understood
- 4 – Excels at communicating using the spoken word
- 3 – Spoken language is clear and is easily understood
- 2 – Spoken language is somewhat unclear or challenging to understand
- 1 – Spoken language is unclear or not easily understood

### Vocal Variety

- 5 – Uses the tools of tone, speed, and volume to perfection
- 4 – Excels at using tone, speed, and volume as tools
- 3 – Uses tone, speed, and volume as tools
- 2 – Use of tone, speed, and volume requires further practice
- 1 – Ineffective use of tone, speed, and volume

### Eye Contact

- 5 – Uses eye contact to convey emotion and elicit response
- 4 – Uses eye contact to gauge audience reaction and response
- 3 – Effectively uses eye contact to engage audience
- 2 – Eye contact with audience needs improvement
- 1 – Makes little or no eye contact with audience

### Gestures

- 5 – Fully integrates physical gestures with content to deliver an exemplary speech
- 4 – Uses physical gestures as a tool to enhance speech
- 3 – Uses physical gestures effectively
- 2 – Uses somewhat distracting or limited gestures
- 1 – Uses very distracting gestures or no gestures

### Audience Awareness

- 5 – Engages audience completely and anticipates audience needs
- 4 – Is fully aware of audience engagement/needs and responds effectively
- 3 – Demonstrates awareness of audience engagement and needs
- 2 – Audience engagement or awareness of audience requires further practice
- 1 – Makes little or no attempt to engage audience or meet audience needs

### Comfort Level

- 5 – Appears completely self-assured with the audience
- 4 – Appears fully at ease with the audience
- 3 – Appears comfortable with the audience
- 2 – Appears uncomfortable with the audience
- 1 – Appears highly uncomfortable with the audience

### Interest

- 5 – Fully engages audience with exemplary, well-constructed content
- 4 – Engages audience with highly compelling, well-constructed content
- 3 – Engages audience with interesting, well-constructed content
- 2 – Content is interesting but not well-constructed or is well-constructed but not interesting
- 1 – Content is neither interesting nor well-constructed

### Impact

- 5 – Story enthralls the audience and is a perfect complement to the speech content
- 4 – Story enhances the speech and heightens audience engagement
- 3 – Story has the intended impact on the audience
- 2 – Story makes some impact on the audience
- 1 – Story makes little or no impact on the audience

### Pace (Evaluate only if speaker includes a story as part of a larger speech.)

- 5 – Story flows perfectly with overall content to contribute to an exemplary speech
- 4 – Pacing contributes substantially to the effectiveness of the story and the overall speech
- 3 – Pacing enhances the delivery of both the story and the rest of the speech
- 2 – Pacing of the story disrupts the flow of the rest of the speech
- 1 – Pacing of the story detracts from the delivery of the speech